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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Jacqueline Alexander,

CANCELLATION No. 92047326

Petitioner,

U.S. TM Reg. No.:

2627767

VS.

Mark:

**NOODLES** 

Choon Nakamura,

Registration Date:

October 1, 2002

Respondent.

Commissioner for Trademarks P. O. Box 1451 Alexandria, VA 22313-1451

## **ANSWER**

Respondent answers the Petition for Cancellation as follows.

1. The Petitioner, Jacqueline Alexander, is a Canadian citizen, whose address is #26 Soi 10 Su khumvit Road Bangkok THAILAND 10110.

**ANSWER:** Respondent is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of that statement.

2. On May 16, 2005, Petitioner filed an intent-to-use application under Section 1(b) for registration of the mark "NOODLES ONLY NOODLES AND HER ELEPHANT FRIENDS SHOULD WEAR IVORY & Design" for, inter alia, "clothing, namely, t-shirts, night shirts,

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**ANSWER:** Respondent admits that Petitioner filed the trademark application serial no. 78/630932 on May 16, 2005, but is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to whether the application is still pending.

3. The Examining Attorney has refused registration of Petitioner's mark under Section 2(d) on grounds that it is likely to cause confusion with Respondent's Registration No. 2,627,767 for "NOODLES".

**ANSWER:** Respondent admits that the USPTO record reflects the Examining Attorney refused registration of Petitioner's mark because of likelihood of confusion with three prior registrations, one of which is Respondent's.

4. Although Petitioner believes confusion is not likely between its mark and that of Respondent, the Examining Attorney's citation of Respondent's registration will damage Petitioner by preventing registration of its own proposed mark "NOODLES ONLY NOODLES AND HER ELEPHANT FRIENDS SHOULD WEAR IVORY & Design."

ANSWER: Respondent denies there is no likelihood of confusion between the marks; Respondent is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief of whether or not Petitioner will be damaged.

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5. Respondent, upon information and belief, believes that Respondent is not using and has abandoned the mark "NOODLES" and its registration should therefore cancelled [sic] pursuant to Section 14(3) (15 U.S.C. Section 1064(3)).

**ANSWER:** Respondent denies this claim in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: May 24, 2007

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